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MODERATOR
Paul Fenton, Jr.

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GENERAL COURT
James Humphrey

SELECTMEN

Edward Bailey '77	Dorothea Lovejoy '78	John Kepper '79

TOWN CLERK AND TAX COLLECTOR
Agnes Shaw '77

TREASURER
Norma C. Lovejoy '77

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECK LIST

Arthur Schaefer, Sr. '78	Russell Benedict '80	Frederick Adams '82

CHIEF OF POLICE
Robert Bentley

ROAD AGENT
Leon Jones

FIRE CHIEF
Dennis Patten

BALLOT CLERKS

Arvilla Fogarty	Maud Prince	Leah Schaefer

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Joy Chamberlin '77	Sylvia Barber '78	Constance Wescott '79

LIBRARIAN
Bessie Prince

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Polly Adams '77	David Hodges '78	William Baker '79

BUDGET COMMITTEE

William Baker '77	David Chamberlin '78	Norma Lovejoy '79
Edward Sawyer '77	David Hodges '78	Donald Nixon '79
Orvie Shaw '77	Larry Young, Sr. '78	Steven Preston '79

Budget Committee gives notice that the public hearing on the Town budget will be held on January 29, 1978, at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Hall.

WARRENT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

The State of New Hampshire

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN FROM 1 P.M. TO 7:30 P.M.
BUSINESS MEETING 7:30 P.M.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Salisbury in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Salisbury on Tuesday, the 8th day of March, next at one of the clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.
3. To see if the Town will vote to accept the budget as submitted by the Budget Committee.
4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Town Treasurer to borrow money on notes of the Town in anticipation of taxes.
5. To see if the Town will vote to use $3,500.00 of the Capital Reserve Fund interest for maintenance of roads in the Flood Control Basin.
6. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue all street lights or do anything in relation thereto.
7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer $1,500.00 from its unencumbered surplus to the Town Hall and Parking Lot Capital Reserve Fund.
8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to withdraw a sum not to exceed $7,500.00 from the Town Hall and Parking Lot Capital Reserve Fund in anticipation of renovation of the Town Hall.
9. To see if the Town will vote to transfer $1,500.00 from its unencumbered surplus to the Fire Department Equipment Capital Reserve Fund.
10. To see if the Town will vote to transfer $184.00 from its unencumbered surplus to the Conservation Commission for use in the development of the proposed Memorial Park.
11. To see if the Town will vote annual payment for the reimbursement of legitimate expenses of firefighters for their attendance at fires, drills, and meetings, to be distributed by the Salisbury Volunteer Fire Department, but not to exceed, for any one firefighter, the sum of $100.00. For the purpose of this article, a "Firefighter" shall be defined as any able-bodied person between the ages of 18 and 70 who attends at least 9 of the meetings and 9 of the drills of the 12 of each held during the year. These people will be considered "Regulars" on the Salisbury Volunteer Fire Department and all others will be considered "Call-Persons". The "Regulars" will be obliged to remain at the scene of a fire or other emergency until released by the Chief or other Officer/Person in charge. In the event that no officer is present, the first "Regular" fireman on the scene will be the Person in charge. (The $2,000.00 to cover this article is included in the Fire Department budget and IS NOT to be used for anything other than covered by this article.)
12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to make application for, to accept, and to expend on behalf of the Town any and all advances, grants, or other funds which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States of America or the State of New Hampshire, or any Federal or State Agency.
13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town private gifts and contributions.

14. To see if the Town will vote to delete from Article 5 C-(1) of the Building Code the sentence reading "It shall have a minimum of 150 feet frontage on a State, Town, or private road"; and to include "It shall have a minimum of 200 feet frontage on a Class 1 through 5 highway".

15. To see if the Town will vote to delete from Article 6 of the Zoning Ordinance the sentence reading "The lot shall have a minimum of 150 feet frontage on a State, Town, or private road"; and include "The lot shall have a minimum of 200 feet frontage on a Class 1 through 5 highway.

16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as setoffs against budget appropriations in the amount indicated; and, further to authorize the Selectmen to make pro-rate reductions in the amounts if estimated entitlements are reduced or take any other action hereon:

Appropriation	Estimated Amount	
Health	$1,000.00	
Library	1,000.00	
Financial Administration	1,000.00	
Police Department	1,500.00	
Fire Department	1,500.00	
		$6,000.00

17. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting,

Given under our hands and seal, this 11th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-seven.

Edward D. Bailey
Dorothea Lovejoy
John C. Kepper
SELECTMEN OF SALISBURY, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:

Edward D. Bailey
Dorothea Lovejoy
John C. Kepper
SELECTMEN OF SALISBURY, N. H.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF SALISBURY
Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 1977 to December 31, 1977

Purpose of Appropriation	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Recommended 1977 (1977-78)
General Government:		
Town Officers' Salaries	$ 2,725.00	$ 2,725.00
Town Officers' Expenses	5,850.00	5,850.00
Election & Registration Expenses	1,000.00	500.00
Town Hall & Other Town Buildings	4,000.00	5,800.00
Emp. Retire. & Social Security	1,000.00	1,000.00
Protection of Persons & Property:		
Police Department	5,900.00	5,900.00
Fire Department	4,815.00	6,897.00
Insurance	4,300.00	5,000.00
Planning & Zoning	350.00	150.00
Damages & Legal Expense	500.00	500.00
Civil Defense	1,000.00	950.00
Health Dept. (Incl.		
Hospitals & Ambulance)	1,300.00	1,250.00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	3,000.00	4,900.00
Highways & Bridges:		
Town Maintenance -		
Summer & Winter	15,000.00	15,000.00
Street Lighting	1,300.00	1,500.00
General Expenses of Highway		
Department	3,300.00	4,500.00
Town Road Aid	800.32	796.27
Libraries:	1,100.00	1,200.00
Public Welfare:		
Town Poor	500.00	500.00
Old Age Assistance	3,000.00	3,000.00
Comm. Action Proj.	301.00	197.00
Patriotic Purposes		
(Memorial Day, Etc.)	500.00	500.00
Recreation:	300.00	300.00
Public Service Enterprises:		
Cemeteries	1,500.00	1,500.00
Conservation Comm.		184.00
Debit Service:		
Interest on Temporary Loans	700.00	700.00
Capital Outlay (List Below):		
Sealing Roads	5,000.00	6,500.00
Hear Radio System	1,600.00	
Payment to Capital Reserve Funds		
Fire Dept. Equipment	1,500.00	1,500.00
Reassessment of Town	5,000.00	5,000.00
Town Hall & Parking Lot		1,500.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	$77,141.32	$85,799.27

SECTION II Sources of Revenue	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Estimated Revenue Fiscal Year 1977 (1977-78)
From State:			
Interest & Dividends Tax	$ 1,900.00	$ 2,987.26	$ 2,900.00
County Flood Control	102.28	231.88	225.00
Savings Bank Tax	450.00	678.43	600.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	3,900.00	4,428.73	4,400.00
Highway Subsidy (Cl. IV & V)	10,395.64	10,395.64	10,322.64
State & Fed. Forest	451.20	451.20	535.80
Reimbursement A/C Flood Control Land		4,186.12	4,100.00
Reim. A/C Business Profits Tax (Town Portion) (2,951.80)	610.00	610.00	610.00
Highway Safety Grant		482.30	
Reim. Gas Tax Forest Fire & Porcupine	25.00	161.72	25.00
From Local Sources:			
Dog Licenses	395.00	464.40	450.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	25.00	47.00	75.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	8,300.00	11,634.71	9,000.00
Interest on Taxes & Deposits	1,500.00	1,704.49	1,700.00
Trustee Bond M.V.S.D.	90.00	90.00	90.00
Withdrawal Capital Reserve Funds	3,535.00	3,529.72	11,000.00
Bi-Centennial Income		1,010.90	
Soc. Sec. Ref.		47.27	40.00
National Bank Stock Taxes		.50	
Resident Taxes Retained & Penalties	3,900.00	4,939.00	4,500.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed	3,000.00	2,863.77	3,000.00
Rent of Town Property	100.00	167.75	100.00
Sale of Town Property		484.35	
Income from Departments - Police Dept. Donation	650.00	248.84	100.00
Fire Reimbursement		40.00	
Income from Trust Funds	450.00		
Planning Board		214.00	150.00
Surplus			3,184.00
From Federal Sources:			
Revenue Sharing	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
Hear Radio	1,000.00		
*TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES	$46,779.12	$58,099.98	$63,107.44

Revenue Sharing	
Health	$ 1,000.00
Library	1,000.00
Financial Adm.	1,000.00
Fire Dept.	1,500.00
Police Dept.	1,500.00

*Total estimated "Revenues from all sources except Property Taxes" deducted from Total "Appropriations recommended by Budget Committee" gives estimated "Amount to be raised by Property Taxes," exclusive of County and School Taxes.

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall -- land, buildings	$40,000.00
Library -- land, building, equipment	35,000.00
Police Department -- equipment	4,500.00
Fire Department -- land, building, equipment	50,000.00
Highway Department -- equipment	3,500.00
Civil Defense -- equipment	6,500.00

SUMMARY INVENTORY

Land	$4,285,350.00
Buildings	2,937,550.00
Utilities	551,000.00
Mobile Homes	87,400.00
Boats	5,300.00

War Service Exemptions	3,300.00
Blind Exemptions	5,000.00
Elderly Exemptions	60,550.00

Number of Veteran Exemptions: 66

TAX RATE

Municipal	.45
County	.31
School	2.09

Tax Rate: $2.85 per $100.00

STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries	$ 2,270.75	
Town Officers' Expenses	5,666.28	
Election & Registration Expenses	967.55	
Town Hall & Other Town Buildings	4,499.16	
Police Department	5,373.31	
Fire Department	6,516.33	
Planning & Zoning	432.04	
Bounties	2.00	
Insurance	4,758.25	
Civil Defense	798.70	
Health Department	1,250.00	
Town Dump	4,451.41	
Road Maintenance -- Summer & Winter	15,864.80	
Town Road Aid	800.32	
General Expenses of Highways	4,381.15	
Street Lights	1,341.89	
Library	1,100.00	
Old Age Assistance	2,347.15	
Old Home Day	1,326.19	
Recreation	226.81	
Cemetaries	743.57	
Legal Expenses	205.46	
Class V Highways	6,894.68	
Taxes Bought by Town	11,278.26	
Abatements	67.98	
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	1,658.36	
Yield Tax to State	446.02	
Community Action Project	301.00	
Capital Outlay -- Sealing Roads	5,000.00	
Capital Reserve Funds -- Fire Equipment	1,500.00	
Reassessing Town	5,000.00	
Merrimack County Tax	24,708.81	
Merrimack Valley School District	140,988.28	
		$262,388.74

January 20, 1977

Board of Selectmen
Salisbury, New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Submitted herewith is the report of the annual examination and audit of the accounts of the Town of Salisbury for the year ended December 31, 1976, which was made by Nathan Wechsler & Company in accordance with the vote of the Town. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report.

One of the enclosed audits must be given the Town Clerk as part of the permanent records.

SCOPE OF AUDIT

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Trustees of Trust Funds, and Salisbury Free Library.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Comparative Balance Sheets as of December 31, 1975 and 1976: (Exhibit A-1)

Comparative balance sheets, as of December 31, 1975 and 1976, are presented in Exhibit A-1. As indicated therein, the surplus of the Town increased $12,216 from $34,529 to $46,745 in 1976. The balance sheet surplus of $46,745 represents the current surplus (excess of total current assets over current liabilities) on December 31, 1976.

Analysis of Change in Financial Condition: (Exhibit A-2)

An analysis of the change in financial condition of the Town during the year is made in Exhibit A-2, with the factors which caused the change indicated therein. These are as follows:

Analysis of Change in Financial Condition

Increase in Surplus:

Net Budget Surplus	$12,216

Comparative Statements of Appropriations and Expenditures - Estimated and Actual Revenues: (Exhibits A-3 and A-4)

Comparative statements of appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the year ended December 31, 1976 are presented in Exhibits A-3 and A-4. As indicated by the budget summary (Exhibit A-4), net unexpended appropriations of $2,339, plus a net revenue surplus of $9,877, resulted in a net budget surplus of $12,216.

Summary Statement of Receipts and Expenditures: (Exhibit B)

A summary statement of receipts and expenditures for the year ended December 31, 1976, made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts, is included in Exhibit B.

AUDIT PROCEDURE

The accounts and records of all town officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of public funds were examined and audited in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

Verification of uncollected and unredeemed taxes was made by mailing notices to delinquent taxpayers as indicated by the Tax Collector's records. Consequently, the amounts of uncollected and unredeemed taxes as indicated in this report are subject to any changes which may be necessitated by the return of verification notices.

Conclusion:

The provisions of Chapter 184, of the Laws of 1955, require that this report or the summary of findings and recommendations (letter of transmittal) shall be published in the next annual report of the Town.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the Town of Salisbury for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Very truly yours,

Stuart A. Goss
Nathan Wechsler & Company

CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Town of Salisbury for the year ended December 31, 1976.

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheet and statements of sources of revenues and expenditures present fairly the financial position of the Town of Salisbury at December 31, 1976, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to governmental entities, applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Respectfully submitted,

Stuart A. Goss
Nathan Wechsler & Company

EXHIBIT A-1
TOWN OF SALISBURY

Comparative Balance Sheets
December 31, 1976 and 1975

ASSETS	December 31, 1975		December 31, 1976	
Cash on Hand:				
Town Treasurer		$ 35,260		$ 63,664
Capital Reserve Fund: (Contra)				
Road Maintenance	$95,402		$ 99,593	
Fire Equipment	1,197		2,765	
Highway Equipment	2,357		2,485	
School Building	95,176		102,592	
Town Hall Parking Lot	5,637		5,945	
Rescue Truck	29		--	
Reassessment	--	199,798	5,006	218,386
Other Cash:				
Federal Revenue Sharing (Contra)		2,886		2,588
Amounts Due to Town:				
Due from Rescue Squad	$ --		$ 200	
Due from State of New Hampshire	--		949	
Due from Road Agent	414		414	
Due from City of Franklin	--	414	800	2,363
Unredeemed Taxes:				
Levy of 1973	$ 1,121		$ --	
Levy of 1974	4,243		1,582	
Levy of 1975	--	5,364	5,626	7,208
Uncollected Taxes:				
Levy of 1973	$ 10		$ 10	
Levy of 1975	39,434		50	
Levy of 1976	--	39,444	42,653	42,713
Total Assetts		$283,166		$336,922

LIABILITIES	December 31, 1975		December 31, 1976	
Appropriations Forwarded:				
Town Dump and Garbage Collection	$ 2,500		$ --	
Planning and Zoning	235		367	
Class V Highway Maintenance	609		42	
Hear Radio System	--		1,600	
Cemeteries	--	$ 3,344	756	$ 2,765
Due State of New Hampshire:				
2% Bond and Debt Tax:				
Uncollected	$ 1		$ --	
Collected - Not Remitted	446	447	469	469
Due School District		42,162		65,968
Capital Reserve Fund (Contra)		199,798		218,387
Federal Revenue Sharing (Contra)		2,886		2,588
Total Liabilities		$248,637		$290,177
Surplus		34,529		46,745
Total Liabilities and Surplus		$283,166		$336,922

EXHIBIT A-2
TOWN OF SALISBURY
Analysis of Change in Financial Condition
Year Ended December 31, 1976

Surplus - December 31, 1976	$46,745	
Surplus - December 31, 1975	34,529	
Increase in Surplus		$12,216

Analysis of Change

Increase in Surplus

Net Budget Surplus	$12,216

EXHIBIT A-3
TOWN OF SALISBURY

	Appropriations Forwarded from 1975	Appropriations 1976
General Government:		
Town Officers' Salaries	$	$ 2,725
Town Officers' Expenses		5,850
Election and Registration Expenses		1,000
Town Hall & Other Town Bldgs. Maintenance		4,000
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Police Department		5,900
Fire Department		4,815
Insurance		4,300
Planning and Zoning	235	350
Civilian Defense		1,000
Bounties		
Hear Radio System		1,600
Health and Sanitation:		
Health Department		1,300
Town Dump and Garbage Collection	2,500	3,000
Highways and Bridges:		
Town Maintenance		15,000
Street Lighting		1,300
General Expenses of Highway Department		3,300
Town Road Aid		800
Class V Highway Maintenance	609	
Libraries		1,100
Public Welfare:		
Old Age Assistance		3,000
Town Poor		500
Recreation:		
Parks and Playgrounds		300
Patriotic Purposes		500
Public Service Enterprises:		
Cemeteries		1,500
Unclassified:		
Employees. Retirement & Social Security		1,000
Damages and Legal Expenses		500
Overlay		2,659
Community Action Program		301
Interest:		
Tax Anticipation Notes		700
Capital Outlay:		
Sealing Roads		5,000
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
County Tax		24,709
School Tax	42,162	164,794
Payments to Capital Reserve Funds:		
Fire Department Equipment		1,500
Reassessment		5,000
	$45,506	$269,303

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures
Year Ended December 31, 1976

Receipts and Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures 1976	Balances Unexpended	Balances Overdrafts	Appropriations Forwarded to 1977
$	$ 2,725	$ 2,271	$ 454	$	$
	5,850	5,666	184		
	1,000	968	32		
	4,000	4,499		499	
1,432	7,332	7,271	61		
174	4,989	6,516		1,527	
	4,300	4,758		458	
214	799	432			367
	1,000	799	201		
2	2	2			
	1,600				1,600
	1,300	1,250	50		
	5,500	4,451	1,049		
	15,000	15,865		865	
	1,300	1,342		42	
	3,300	4,381		1,081	
	800	800			
6,328	6,937	6,895			42
	1,100	1,100			
	3,000	2,347	653		
	500		500		
	300	227	73		
1,010	1,510	1,326	184		
	1,500	744			756
47	1,047	881	166		
	500	205	295		
	2,659	450	2,209		
	301	301			
	700		700		
	5,000	5,000			
	24,709	24,709			65,968
	206,956	140,988			
	1,500	1,500			
	5,000	5,000			
$9,207	$324,016	$252,944	$6,811	$4,472	$68,733

EXHIBIT A-4
TOWN OF SALISBURY
Comparative Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues and Budget Summary
Year Ended December 31, 1976

	Revenues			
	Estimated	Actual	Excess	Deficit
Taxes:				
Current Year:				
Property Tax	$219,030	$219,811	$ 781	$
Resident Tax	4,110	4,230	120	
Yield Tax	2,543	2,388		155
Prior Years:				
Property Tax		109	109	
Resident Tax		70	70	
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	1,500	2,566	1,066	
From State of New Hampshire:				
Interest and Dividends Tax	2,987	2,987		
Savings Bank Tax	678	678		
Meals and Room Tax	3,981	4,429	448	
Business Profit Tax	2,954	2,952		2
Reimbursement:				
State and Federal Lands	451	451		
Police Department	650	249		401
Hear Radio System	1,000	1,000		
Highway Subsidy	10,396	10,396		
County Flood Control	102	232	130	
Refund MVSD Trustee Bond	90	90		
Gas Tax Refund	25	26	1	
Flood Control		4,186	4,186	
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:				
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	25	47	22	
Dog Licenses	395	464	69	
Motor Vehicle Permits	8,300	11,635	3,335	
Rent of Town Property and Equipment	100	168	68	
Income from Trust Funds	450			450
Withdrawal of Capital Reserve Funds	3,535	3,530		5
Revenue Sharing	6,000	6,000		
Sale of Town Property		485	485	
	$269,302	$279,179	$ 10,890	$ 1,013

Budget Summary

Actual Revenues	$279,179	
Estimated Revenues	269,302	
Net Revenue Surplus		$ 9,877
Unexpended Balances of Appropriations	$ 6,811	
Overdrafts	4,472	
Net Unexpended Balances of Appropriations		2,339
Net Budget Surplus		$ 12,216

EXHIBIT B
TOWN OF SALISBURY
Classified Statement of Receipts and Expenditures
Year Ended December 31, 1976

Current Revenues:			
Local Taxes:			
Current Year:			
Property Taxes	$177,286		
Resident Taxes	3,740		
Yield Taxes	2,855	$183,881	
Prior Years:			
Property Taxes	$ 38,465		
Resident Taxes	1,070		
Yield Taxes	9	39,544	
Tax Sales Redeemed		9,434	
Interest on Taxes		2,437	
Penalties - Resident Taxes		129	
			$235,425
State of New Hampshire:			
Highways and Bridges:			
Class V Highway Maintenance	$ 6,328		
Highway Subsidy	10,396	$ 16,724	
Interest and Dividends Tax		2,987	
Savings Bank Tax		678	
Meals and Rooms Tax		4,429	
Reimbursement a/c Business Profits Tax		2,952	
Bounties		2	
Fighting Forest Fires		134	
Reimbursement a/c Flood Control		4,418	
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal Lands		451	
			32,775
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses		$ 464	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		11,635	
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees		47	
Rent of Town Property		168	
Sale of Town Property		485	
Police Department		249	13,048
Total Current Revenue Receipts			$281,248

EXHIBIT B (Continued)
TOWN OF SALISBURY
Classified Statement of Receipts and Expenditures
Year Ended December 31, 1976

Receipts Other than Current Revenues:			
Federal Revenue Sharing Proceeds		$6,000	
Withdrawal from Capital Reserve Funds:			
Road Maintenance	$3,500		
Rescue Truck (Transfer to General Fund)	30	3,530	
Refunds:			
Merrimack Valley School District - Trustee Bond	$ 90		
Gas Tax	26		
Reimbursement a/c Social Security	47	163	
Appropriation Credits:			
Police Department	$ 483		
Fire Department	40		
Planning and Zoning	214		
Patriotic Purposes	1,010	1,747	
			$ 11,440
Total Receipts from all Sources			$292,688
Balance January 1, 1976			35,260
Grand Total			$327,948
Expenditures			
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries		$2,270	
Town Officers' Expenses		5,666	
Election and Registration Expenses		968	
Town Hall and Other Town Buildings		4,499	
			$ 13,403
Expenditures			
Protection of Persons and Property			
Police Department		$7,273	
Fire Department, Including Forest Fires		6,516	
Insurance		4,758	
Planning and Zoning		432	
Civil Defense		799	
			$ 19,778

EXHIBIT B (Continued)
TOWN OF SALISBURY
Classified Statement of Receipts and Expenditures
Year Ended December 31, 1976

Health and Sanitation:		
Health Department, Including Hospital	$ 1,250	
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	4,451	
		$ 5,701
Highways and Bridges:		
Town Road Aid	$ 800	
Town Maintenance	15,865	
Class V Highway Maintenance	6,895	
Street Lighting	1,342	
General Expenses of Highway Department	4,381	
		$ 29,283
Libraries		1,100
Public Welfare:		
Old Age Assistance		2,347
Recreation:		
Parks and Playgrounds		227
Patriotic Purposes		1,326
Public Service Enterprises:		
Cemeteries		743
Unclassified:		
Retirement and Social Security	881	
Damage and Legal Expenses	205	
Taxes Bought by Town	11,278	
Abatements and Refunds	68	
Community Action Program	301	
		12,733
Capital Outlay:		
Sealing Roads	5,000	
Payments to Capital Reserve Funds:		
Fire Department Equipment	1,500	
Reassessment	5,000	
		11,500

EXHIBIT B (Continued)
TOWN OF SALISBURY
Classified Statement of Receipts and Expenditures
Year Ended December 31, 1976

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:	
State of New Hampshire:	
2% Bond and Debt Retirement Tax	$ 446
County Tax	24,709
School District Tax	140,988
Total Expenditures for all Purposes	$264,284
Balance December 31, 1976	63,664
Grand Total	$327,948

EXHIBIT C-1
TOWN OF SALISBURY
Summary of Warrants
Year Ended December 31, 1976

	Levies Of		
DR.	1976	1975	1973
Uncollected Taxes - January 1, 1976:			
Property Taxes	$	$38,356	$
Resident Taxes		1,070	10
Yield Taxes		9	
Taxes Committed to Collector:			
Property Taxes	218,932	109	
Resident Taxes	4,110	70	
Yield Taxes	2,890		
Added Taxes:			
Property Taxes	879		
Resident Taxes	120		
Interest Collected	43	1,661	
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	22	107	
	$226,996	$41,382	$ 10
CR.			
Remittances to Treasurer:			
Property Taxes	$177,286	$38,465	$
Resident Taxes	3,740	1,070	
Yield Taxes	2,855	9	
Interest	43	1,661	
Penalties	22	107	
Abatements Allowed:			
Property Taxes	322		
Resident Taxes	40	20	
Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1976:			
Property Taxes	42,203		
Resident Taxes	450	50	10
Yield Taxes	35		
	$226,996	$41,382	$ 10

EXHIBIT C-2
TOWN OF SALISBURY
Summary of Tax Sale Accounts
Year Ended December 31, 1976

DR.	Levies of 1975	1974	1973
Unredeemed Taxes - January 1, 1976	$	$ 4,243	$ 1,121
Tax Sale of 1976	11,278		
Interest and Costs after Sale	178	311	245
	$11,456	$ 4,554	$ 1,366
CR.			
Remittances to Treasurer:			
Redemptions	$ 5,652	$ 2,660	$ 1,121
Interest and Costs after Sale	178	311	245
Unredeemed Taxes - December 31, 1976	5,626	1,583	
	$11,456	$ 4,554	$ 1,366

EXHIBIT D
TOWN OF SALISBURY
Summary of Account - Agnes M. Shaw - Town Clerk
Year Ended December 31, 1976

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued:			
1975	$ 110		
1976	11,525		
		$11,635	
Dog Licenses Issued:			
1976 - 183 Licenses	$ 501		
Less: 183 Fees @ $.20	37		
		464	
Filing Fees		8	
			$12,107
Remittances to Treasurer:			
Motor Vehicle Permits		$11,635	
Dog Licenses		464	
Filing Fees		8	
			$12,107

EXHIBIT E
TOWN OF SALISBURY
Year Ended December 31, 1976

Revenue Sharing Funds
Statement of Revenue, Expenditures and Fund Balance

Available Funds - January 1, 1976		$2,886
Add: Revenue:		
Entitlement Payments	$5,382	
Interest	319	5,701
Total Available Funds		$8,587
Less: Expenditures:		
Operating/Maintenance Expenses:		
Public Safety	$3,000	
Health	1,000	
Library	1,000	
Financial Administration	1,000	
Total Expenditures		6,000
Available Funds - December 31, 1976		$2,587

EXHIBIT F
TOWN OF SALISBURY
Summary of Trust Fund Principal, Income and Investments
Year Ended December 31, 1976

	PRINCIPAL			
	Balance January 1, 1976	Additions	Withdrawals	Balance December 31, 1976
Cemeteries - Perpetual Care	$ 4,984	$	$	$ 4,984
Maplewood Cemeteries	500			500
Baptist Church Fund	71			71
Capital Reserve Fund - Road Maintenance	95,402	(a) 7,691	3,500	99,593
Capital Reserve Fund - Fire Equipment	768	1,500		2,268
Capital Reserve Fund - Highway Equipment	1,900			1,900
Capital Reserve Fund - Town Hall Parking Lot	5,000			5,000
Capital Reserve Fund - Rescue Truck				
Capital Reserve Fund - Town Reassessment		5,000		5,000
Capital Reserve Fund - School Building Fund	80,000			80,000
	$188,625	$14,191	$3,500	$199,316

(a) Interest and Dividends

INCOME				
Balance January 1, 1976	Earned During Year	Expended During Year	Balance December 31, 1976	Balance of Principal and Income December 31, 1976
$ 817	$ 446	$	$ 1,263	$ 6,247
	45		45	545
28	6		34	105
				99,593
430	67		497	2,765
457	129		586	2,486
637	308		945	5,945
29	1	30		
	6		6	5,006
15,176	7,414		22,590	102,590
$17,574	$8,422	$ 30	$25,966	$225,282

EXHIBIT F (Continued)
TOWN OF SALISBURY
Summary of Trust Fund Principal, Income and Investments
Year Ended December 31, 1976

Investments and Deposits
Capital Reserve Fund

133	Shares	B. T. New York Corporation	$ 2,430	
226	Shares	First National Bank of Boston	2,374	
$ 5,000	Debentures	Union Pacific Corporation	5,061	
$10,000	First Mortgage Bonds	Northern States Power Co.	10,075	
$10,000	First Mortgage Bonds	The Detroit Edison Co.	10,057	
				$ 29,997
		Franklin Savings Bank	$43,652	
		Franklin Cooperative Bank	44,508	
		Concord Savings Bank	25,057	
		New Hampshire Savings Bank	36,581	
		Merrimack County Savings Bank	26,132	
		Laconia Savings Bank	12,458	
				188,388
Perpetual Care Funds:				
		Franklin Savings Bank		6,247
Maplewood Cemetery:				
		Franklin Savings Bank		545
Baptist Church Fund:				
		Franklin Savings Bank		105
				$225,282

EXHIBIT G
TOWN OF SALISBURY
Statement of Library Receipts and Expenditures
Year Ended December 31, 1976

Receipts:		
Town Appropriation	$1,100	
Interest Income	29	
Book Sale	10	
		$1,139
Disbursements:		
Librarian Salaries	$ 489	
Books	414	
Social Security Expense	30	
		933
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements		$ 206
Add: Cash Balance - January 1, 1976		126
Cash Balance - December 31, 1976		$ 332

EXHIBIT H
TOWN OF SALISBURY
Town Officers' Surety Bonds
Year Ended December 31, 1976

	Bond Number	Amount	Term Beginning
Town Treasurer:			
Norma C. Lovejoy Peerless Insurance Company	33-10-21	$26,500	March 2, 1976
Town Clerk:			
Agnes M. Shaw New Hampshire Insurance Company	33-10-21	1,500	March 2, 1976
Tax Collector:			
Agnes M. Shaw New Hampshire Insurance Company	33-10-21	26,500	March 2, 1976
Trustees of Trust Funds:			
Polly Adams New Hampshire Insurance Company	35-79-38	27,000	March 4, 1974
David Hodges, Sr. New Hampshire Insurance Company	36-84-21	27,000	March 4, 1975
William J. Baher New Hampshire Insurance Company	37-54-02	27,000	March 2, 1976

FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

All open fires must have a burning permit when the ground is not covered with snow. There is no set date as to when a permit is required; it is according to the existing weather conditions. The hours for burning when a permit is required are 5 P.M. to 9 A.M. On rainy days, you can burn during the daytime hours but a permit is still required. If I am not available to issue a permit, Arthur Schaefer has been authorized to issue permits in my absence.

In 1976, we gave out 82 permits, we had 3 grass fires which burned a total of 2 3/4 acres. We responded to 1 mutual aid call in Webster. Deputies Arthur Schaefer, Robert Dukette and Robert Bartz and myself attended a training session for Fire Wardens and Deputy Wardens at Bear Brook.

I want to thank you for keeping our town clean and green. Remember, to report a fire: the emergency number is: 648-2200.

Thank you,

Dennis Patten
Fire Warden

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

The year 1976 was a busy one for the Fire Department with 21 calls answered. There were two structural, four grass, and six chimney fires. We responded to five accidents, three mutual aid calls and three miscellaneous calls.

The men of the department attended a Scott Air-Pak school with Dep. Wallingford of the Franklin Fire Dept., a State instructor, conducting the classes. They also attended 1-day classes at the Lilly Pond and Meadow Wood training areas.

The department has purchases a 1966 GMC, 2000 gallon tank truck to replace the GSA truck which has been returned to the state. We have also hooked up an auxilliary generator at the fire station. The department has purchased some new equipment necessary for efficient fire protection.

We now have a new phone number at the station. The new number is 648-2540. This number is also connected to the fire phone system and we now have ten emergency phones connected to the emergency phone number.

I would like to thank the Ladies Auxilliary for their help; through them we now have an artesian well and a bathroom at the fire station.

The emergency phone number - to report a fire or other emergency is: 648-2200.

Thank you,

Dennis Patten
Fire Chief

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

During 1976, your Police Department observed a decrease in the activities recorded in virtually all aspects of police work. The crime rate dropped substantially, and the motor vehicle accident was reduced, we feel, due to the department's response to motor vehicle violators during 1975. Due to these reductions, the officers did not put in as much time as was expected would be necessary and a considerable sum of money was left in the budget toward the end of the year. In order to retain our present appropriation and not need a budget increase in 1977, we requested and received permission to expend a portion of our remaining budget along with a federal grant and the special account of the police officers fund, for the purchase of a traffic radar unit previously planned for 1977. This will greatly help us in attempting to increase our violator apprehension rate and hopefully again decrease our accident rate. Below you will find a basic summary of our activities for 1976 in comparison to 1975.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert W. Bentley
Chief of Police

	1975	1976
Total crimes recorded	75	44
Total calls recorded by officers	411	229
Total calls recorded by dispatch service	450	372
Reportable traffic accidents	15	12
Reportable traffic accidents w/injuries	6	4
Motor Vehicle offenses recorded	43	24
Summonses and arrests	23	15
Warnings	29	9
DWI arrests	6	4
Total court cases cleared	24	39
Percentage convictions	79%	95%
Total labor hours	663.5	507.5
Total miles covered	5,590	4,223

CIVIL DEFENSE AND RESCUE SQUAD REPORT

The Salisbury Civil Defense Rescue Squad has responded to 27 emergencies this year -- 26 of which were people moved to one of the area hospitals.

Again this year, the Rescue Squad is very grateful for the assistance given to us by members and officers of the Fire and Police Departments. Only with their fine cooperation can we continue to handle medical emergencies. We would also like to express our appreciation to Mrs. Dorothy Bartlett for the many times she has had to relay messages for us in the middle of the night.

The Rescue Squad is in need of new members, and anyone that is interested should contact an officer or come to one of our monthly meetings held in the Fire Station the first Thursday of each month -- being a volunteer department we do need all members possible.

To report an accident or household emergency, please use the fire phone number: 8-2200.

CENTRAL NEW HAMPSHIRE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

At the end of 1976 and six years of operation, the Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission had completed several studies of a regional as well as a local assistance nature.

During 1976 the Commission completed the following studies: an historic preservation report listing significant historic sites by community, a community facilities inventory for each community, a study outlining the impact of institutional tax exempt properties within each community. Currently the Commission is preparing a future land use study, a housing needs update study and an economic base study, all from a regional perspective.

During September and October of 1976 the Commission co-sponsored a series of seminars dealing with the legal aspects of planning. Several officials from Salisbury attended and the entire series received favorable comment.

In addition, the Commission responded to several requests from the Planning Board regarding site plan review, local regulation changes and general planning questions. The Commission is currently working directly with the Planning Board on finalization of a local Comprehensive Plan.

The Commission hopes to be able to continue to serve the needs of its member communities in future years and greatly appreciates the past support of its activities by the Town of Salisbury.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Irving
William Cameron

Representatives

SALISBURY CONSERVATION COMMISSION

This year has been one of much work, some of it on concrete projects, much of it in determining our future directions.

In the March Town Meeting, we succeeded in passing our Warrant Article which would require power companies to receive the written permission of all land-owners before applying chemicals under power lines.

We were represented on the Town Bicentennial Commission, helping to plan the August festivities.

In the early spring, we printed a flyer of conservation tips for home gardeners, which was distributed free to townspeople at the Crossroads Store.

Each summer, the Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests runs a one-week Youth Conservation Camp at Bear Brook State Park. Teenagers enjoy a variety of programs designed to teach them about wildlife, forestry, water resources and other conservation-related subjects. This past June, we sponsored Diana Jameison, who had a great time. We are especially eager to send two Salisbury teenagers this year, and plan to make financial aid available for those who cannot afford the fees. Please ask any one of us for particulars, or contact Ms. Jameison.

We have accepted a small parcel of land, a gift from John Shaefer, which will be developed as a memorial park by our commission. The ennabling legislation for town Conservation Commissions allows us to accept and manage gifts of land, and of course we would welcome any such land which might be used to protect natural resources or for conservation education.

Among our current projects is researching the feasibility of a town swimming area and of conducting tours of interesting natural areas in Salisbury.

We welcome your ideas and your participation in our meetings, which are held in the Selectmen's Office the third Monday of each month at 7:30 P.M.

Edward Bailey
Margaret Boyles
Jane Fenton
Samuel McCain
Judith Preston
Frederick Richardson

RECREATION

After careful consideration and discussion, Mr. and Mrs. David Bennett felt a need existed in Salisbury for social activities for it's young people. Following discussions with several persons, a proposal was submitted and accepted by the Board of Selectmen for organizing and conducting Haloween Parties for the youngsters on Saturday, October 30, 1976, in the Town Hall with a budget allowance of $88.56 from the Town recreation funds.

Two planning and organization meetings were held with youth representatives of grades 5 thru 12 from Salisbury. It was agreed by the committee to conduct 3 separate parties during the day to meet the needs of all the youngsters.

1st Party: for children in the 4th grade and under was held from 2 P.M. to 4 P.M. consisting of costume judging, games, contests, prizes and refreshments. 53 youngsters and many parents were involved. It was conducted by committee members and the Bennetts.

2nd Party: for youngsters in the 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grades was held from 6:30 - 8:30 P.M. It consisted of costume judging, games, prizes, dancing, and refreshments. 48 young people attended and again conducted by committee members and the Bennetts.

3rd Party: for high school students in grades 9, 10, 11, and 12 was held from 9 - 12 P.M. It consisted of dancing, games, prizes, and refreshments. 62 people attended and conducted by committee members and supervised by Mr. & Mrs. Bartz, Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong, and Mr. and Mrs. Bennett.

All responses to the activities, without exception, were most gratifying and the participation of the 163 youngsters from Town left no doubt, at all, that the program was very successful. In view of this, it is recommended, for the future, to increase the number of activities of this nature and to develop and coordinate a more complete recreation program in Salisbury.

A special thanks is due to the Ed Sawyer family for cider and apples, Mr. and Mrs. Bartz, and Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong for supervision and the support of the Selectmen and Townspeople. An extra special thank you is due the young people for their outstanding contribution in planning, organizing, participation, and conduct of the days activities without whose help the events would not have taken place.

The following young people were committee members: Dee Dee Jamieson, John Hatton, Walter Hoeckele, Paul, Mark, and Michelle Bennett, Martha and John Phillips, Brenda Reagan, Brenda Burgess, Jane and Tim Cote, Missy Viard, and Terry Call. To each of them, and last but not least, the Bennetts, the Selectmen wish to express their deep appreciation for a job well done.

SALISBURY BICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE REPORT

The Salisbury Bicentennial Committee was organized in the early part of 1976. It was composed of volunteers representing most of the organizations in town. These volunteers met nearly every other week throughout the year. So many did so much it would be impossible to list all of the individual efforts.

Some of the accomplishments of the committee were an Old Home Day - Bicentennial Celebration, a Town Float, planting of trees, becoming a Bicentennial Community, selling Bicentennial number plates, honoring two Bicentennial Citizens of the Year, and helping to start a Memorial Park.

The Town Float consisted of a scale model of the Daniel Webster Birthplace with an apron of hand painted pictures of eight of the historical buildings in Salisbury. The Float was in eight parades, receiving awards in four. The model is on display in the Salisbury Historical Building and the pictures will be hung in the Town Hall.

Most of the Committee's energies were devoted, in one way or another, to the August 7th Old Home Day - Bicentennial Celebration. The day started with a Parade and ended with a Dance at the Town Hall. Between these events there were displays, a program in the Historical Building, and a Colonial Dinner served to about 300 people in the Town Hall. The day was, by any standards, a happy and successful one. It should be stated that the day also started with a light rain falling, which changed to heavy by noon and became a downpour by the middle of the afternoon. Everything became extremely dampended except the spirits of the participants. One of the highlights of the day was the honoring of Dorothea and Norma Lovejoy as Salisbury Bicentennial Citizens of the Year.

One final project is planned by the Bicentennial Committee. They will act as the organizing force for a permanent type Salisbury Old Home Day Committee. Hopefully the Old Home Day Committee will be formed by interested citizens during the month of March, 1977. All citizens will be welcome to attend the first meeting, the time and place to be announced later.

The Bicentennial Committee as a whole, enjoyed serving the Town during America's Bicentennial Year, but respectfully decline serving during the Tricentennial Year.

TOWN OF SALISBURY, NEW HAMPSHIRE

BICENTENNIAL OUTSTANDING CITIZEN AWARD

August 7, 1976

As this Nation celebrates its Bicentennial and pays homage to those individuals who set our Country on the path to greatness two hundred years ago, it seems only fitting that in our Local observances we should honor those who today carry on those traditions of public service which make our Community one in which we can take great pride. Although there are many who give unselfishly and unstintingly of their time and resources for a variety of civic and religious activities, and who too often do not receive the recognition they so richly deserve, as in any community there are a few whose contributions are so outstanding that they overshadow all others, and the Salisbury Bicentennial Committee has chosen to pay tribute to two such individuals today.

The first of these is Miss Norma Lovejoy. Norma's record of service to the people of Salisbury and the Merrimack Valley reaches back over the greater portion of her adult life and probably more years than she cares to remember. Her involvement with school activities now spans more than three decades and runs the gamut from school bus driver, through establishment of the hot lunch program at the Salisbury Heights School, to her present position as Chairman of the Merrimack Valley School Board. She is equally active in town government having served as Town Treasurer now for some fifteen years and recently she was reelected Chairman of the Budget Committee. She is Treasurer of the Salisbury Community Congregational Church, a longtime member and former officer of the Bartlett Grange, and also a Life Member of the Salisbury Historical Society. Until recently, she was a Trustee of the Franklin Regional Hospital. But we shouldn't forget that this is the same Norma who over the years has helped scoop the roads, fight the forest fires, and paint the Town Hall. She has never failed to respond to a call for help. Her Crossroads Country Store, where she holds forth as Storekeeper and Postmistress for the Town, is far more than a business enterprise. It is the communications center, the hub of the Town, and its operation is a true reflection of Norma's philosophy of service to others. Many other fine things could be said about Norma, but surely by now it is clear that she is and has long been one of the stalwarts of this Community, and recognition of this should be delayed no longer. It is with great pleasure that I present her with this small token of the Gratitude, the Respect, and the Affection of the people of Salisbury.

For its other "Pillar" of the Community, the Bicentennial Committee has chosen Miss Dorothea Lovejoy. After pursuing a career in the health care field in and beyond the Merrimack Valley for many years, Dottie came home to Salisbury. In the years since then, her Town has become her first love. She has served as the Chairman or as a member of the Board of Selectmen for more than eight years now. She is a member of the Salisbury Planning Board, and has also represented the Town on the Board of the Franklin Visiting Nurse Association. Dottie is presently a Director of the Salisbury Historical Society and also a life member. She might well be called "Mother Hen" of the Town, Scolding, cajoling, demanding, as she attempts to keep her charges in line and headed down the proper path. Her activities as Selectman are not limited to the twice monthly meetings as posted on the office door, but occupy a portion of each day,

and many of the tasks she performs are never seen or recognized. But they are part of the fabric which holds the Town together and keeps it running smoothly. While she dispenses advice and opinion, along with hamburger, from behind the counter of the Crossroads Country Store on a daily basis, she is also the one who quietly takes her chainsaw after a storm and removes a tree fallen across a country road; she is among the first out to clear the roads after the snow stops. Recently on a hot day she could be seen seeding the old dump site before it was turned back to its owners. Dottie's many efforts, seen and unseen, reflect great credit both upon her and upon the Town, and it is with the hope that we may benefit from her good works for many years to come that we present her with this small token of our Love, our Respect and our deepest Appreciation.

August 9, 1976

Mr. Edward Bailey, Chairman
Salisbury Bicentennial Committee
Salisbury, N. H. 03268

Dear Mr. Bailey:

I would like to express to you and your committee my sincere thanks for the honor you presented me in behalf of the committee and the Town of Salisbury last Saturday.

The citation and gift, I can assure you, will hold a long (forever in fact) honored place in my heart and home.

Please believe me, the things I do for the town are things I believe in or I am vitally interested in and what I do or say I believe sincerely are for the best interests of the town and not a personal gain in any way.

My feelings for my town and country are foremost in my mind and I have no intention of changing my allegiance to either. Many thanks again for the honor you have given me.

Sincerely,

Norma C. Lovejoy

Salisbury,
New Hampshire
August 11, 1976

Salisbury Bi-Centennial Committee
Edward Bailey, Chairman
Salisbury, New Hampshire 03268

Dear Ed:

Many thanks for the beautiful crystal bowl given to me during the Salisbury Bi-Centennial celebration. It is diffucult -- in fact impossible -- for me to express in words my true feelings but I am very grateful to each of you for this honor you have bestowed upon me.

I, too, feel that what I do for "our Town" is something I take pleasure in doing with the sincere hope it is best for the community. None of us are gifted with enough foresight -- we do the best we can -- and I hope that I will be able to continue to do just that, in what ever way that I can, for a Town and its people that I have come to cherish in the last 20 years.

Sincerely,

Dot Lovejoy

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY: February 24, 1976.

The inhabitants of the Town of Salisbury were directed, by posted warrant, to meet February 24, 1976, at the Town Hall from 1:00 - 6:00 P.M. so all qualified voters could cast their ballot in said primary held on that date. At the same time qualified voters could also cast their ballot on the proposed state of N. H. Constitutional Amendments.

The polls were declared open for voting at 1:00 P.M., Moderator Dana Parks, Jr. presiding. All eligible voters present having cast their ballots polls officially declared closed at 6:15 P.M.

Total No. names on Checklist -- 411. Total Presidential Primary ballots cast -- 187. Total Amendments to N. H. Constitution ballots cast -- 182.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING: March 02, 1976.

The inhabitants of the Town of Salisbury, qualified to vote in Town affairs were notified, per duly posted warrant, to meet at the Town Hall in said town for the annual town meeting. Polls to be open from 1:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M., business meeting to begin at 7:30 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M., moderator Dana Parks, Jr. presiding. Arthur Schaefer was appointed acting clerk for the meeting. After reading of the warrant a motion was made to post-pone voting and warrant articles (due to hazardous weather conditions) until March 09, 1976. Motion seconded and voted in affirmative. Meeting declared adjourned until March 09, 1976 at 1:00 P.M. Arthur Schaefer - Acting Clerk.

MARCH 09, 1976

Adjourned meeting of March 02 was reconvened at 1:00 P.M. Meeting called to order by moderator Dana Parks, Jr. and polls declared open for voting.

Business meeting called to order at 7:30 P.M. The invocation was offered by the Rev. Samuel McCain. Appreciation expressed for the excellent dinners served the Town Officers by the Bartlett Grange at the primaries and by the P.T.G. at the Town meeting. Following reading of the warrant motion made and seconded Polls be closed. Moderator declared a short recess so all eligible voters present wishing to vote could do so. Recess declared over and vote to close polls affirmative.

Art. 1 -- Ballot article requiring no further action. (Results of ballot voting at end of this report.)

Art. 2 & 3 -- Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative said articles be "laid-on-table" pending consideration of Art. 24.

Art. 4 -- Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to authorize selectmen and treasurer to borrow money on notes of the town in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 5 -- Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to use $3,500.00 of the capital reserve fund interest for maintenance in the flood control area.

Art. 6 -- Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative sum of $1,500.00 be added to the capital reserve fund for Fire Dept. equipment.

Art. 7 -- Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to authorize the selectmen to withdraw the remaining funds from the rescue truck capital reserve fund and transfer same to the General Funds of the Town. (Voice vote unanimous - Article requiring a 2/3 majority vote moderator ruled unanimous vote eliminated necessity for 'show-of hands' or ballot vote.)

Art. 8 -- Re: authorizing selectmen to negotiate with the Army Corps of Engineers to cooperatively construct a year round all weather road for access to land in the Blackwater Reservoir area, and further authorize the selectmen in their negotiations to offer to contribute, in behalf of the town the sum of $65,000.00 from the road maintenance capital reserve fund; the approval of the town by town meeting to be required prior to execution of any final agreement. Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to accept article.

Art. 9 -- Re: Election of planning board members. Original vote, negative. (See Art. 25 when Art. 9 reconsidered and negative vote rescinded.)

Art. 10 -- Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to rescind vote of a previous town meeting designating trustees of the Trust Funds supervisors of all town cemeteries.

Art. 11 -- Moved and seconded town be re-assessed by selectmen over a period of two years. Vote - negative.

Art. 12 -- Re: Raising and appropriating sum of $5,000.00 to cover expense of first year of reassessment (included in town officers expenses). Moved and seconded to accept article. Edward Bailey moved Art. 12 be amended to read: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $5,000.00 to be placed in a Capital Reserve Fund toward covering the expense of the future reassessment of the Town of Salisbury". Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to accept amendment moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to accept Art. 12 as amended.

Art. 13 -- Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to pay 15¢ per mile for use of private vehicles on town business.

Art. 14 -- Re: Raising total sum of $1,600.00 for purchase of "Hear" radio system for rescue truck: $600.00 by taxation, $200.00 contributed by rescue squad funds and $800.00 through the City of Franklin. Further: authorizing selectmen to execute such documents as are necessary to facilitate obtaining such funds. (Art. submitted without recommendation of Budget Committee.) Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to accept article.

Art. 15 -- Re: Discontinuing portion of center road, so called, portion as stipulated in warrant. Town Council made clear persons owning land abutting said discontinued portion would retain right-of-way to said property. Moved, seconded Art. be accepted. After discussion move to question requested. Voice vote being inconclusive 'show-of-hand' requested by moderator. Result of vote, Yes - 60; No - 23. Art. 15 accepted and so declared.

Art. 16 -- Re: Discontinuing 'Lover's Lane', so called, as described in warrant. Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative.

Art. 17 -- Re: Discontinuing portion of Montgomery Road, so called, as stipulated in warrant. Moved and seconded article be accepted. Leroy Barnum requested article be amended as follows: "Replace word discontinue with words 'Subject to Gates and Bars'." Moved and seconded to accept amendment. Voice vote being inconclusive 'Show-of-Hands' requested by moderator. Result of vote, Yes - 65; No - 8. Vote on amendment declared affirmative. Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to accept article as amended.

Art. 18 -- Re: Discontinuing 'Old College Road' so called, as stipulated in warrant. Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative.

Art. 19 -- Re: National Flood Insurance Act of 1968. Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to accept article.

Art. 20 -- Re: Establishing building regulations pursuant to R. S. A. 156 for construction in flood hazard areas. Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to accept article.

Art. 21 -- Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to authorize the selectmen to apply for, accept and expend on behalf of the Town any and all grants or other funds which may be forthcoming from the U. S. A., State of N. H. or any state or federal agency.

Art. 22 -- Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to authorize the selectmen to accept on behalf of the town private gifts and contributions.

Art. 23 -- Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to authorize withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund for use as set-offs against budget appropriations, and further authorizing the selectmen to make pro-rate reductions in amounts estimated if funds reduced.

Art. 24 -- (submitted by petition) Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to prohibit chemical defoliants within the Town, subject to rules as printed in Warrant.

Art. 3 -- To see if the town will vote to accept the Budget as submitted by the Budget Committee. Motion made to amend proposed budget as follows: "Increase amount proposed for patriotic purposes by $300.00". Motion to amend seconded and voted in affirmative.

Budget as proposed by Budget Committee ---------- $140,241.32
+ Acceptance of increase of $300.00 for patriotic purposes
+ Acceptance of Art. 14 - "Hear Radio" $1,600.00
- Art. 8, Road Maintenance Cap. Reserve Fund (Should not have been included in budget) $65,000.00.

Total budget figure, original budget plus additions and minus deletions - $77,141.32
Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to accept amended budget figure in amount of $77,141.32.

Art. 2 -- Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges.

Art. 25 -- To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting. Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to accept reports of agents, auditors and officers heretofore chosen as printed in Town Report. Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative to rescind previous negative vote on Art. 9, (Election of Planning Board members) and to reconsider article. Moved and seconded to accept article 9. "Show-of-hands" called for by Moderator. Yes, 71, No, 14. Article 9 accepted and so declared.

Moved, seconded and voted in affirmative meeting be adjourned. So declared. (9:45 P.M.) (All votes except ballot votes 'voice' unless otherwise indicated.)

Results of ballot voting announced by Moderator:

Selectman for 3 years -- John C. Kepper, 148 votes. John C. Kepper declared elected.
Town Clerk for 1 year -- Agnes M. Shaw, 158 votes. Agnes M. Shaw declared elected.
Tax Collector for 1 year -- Agnes M. Shaw, 158 votes. Agnes M. Shaw declared elected.
Town Treasurer for 1 year -- Norma C. Lovejoy, 158 votes. Norma C. Lovejoy declared elected.
Library trustee for 3 years -- Mary K. Argo, 55 votes. Constance S. Wescott, 90 votes. Constance S. Wescott declared elected.
Library Trustee for 2 years -- Sylvia P. Barber, 129 votes. Sylvia P. Barber declared elected.
Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 years -- (Write-in candidates) William J. Baker with 19 votes received majority of votes. William J. Baker declared elected.
Budget Committee for 3 years (3 Members) -- Norma C. Lovejoy, 151 votes, Donald J. Nixon, 136 votes, Steven G. Preston, 112 votes. Norma C. Lovejoy, Donald J. Nixon and Steven G. Preston declared elected.
Budget Committee for 1 year - (1) Edward N. Sawyer, 146 votes. Edward N. Sawyer declared elected.
Road Agent for 1 year -- Joseph M. Heath, Jr., 56 votes, Leon A. Jones, 110 votes. Leon A. Jones declared elected.

All Town Officers, elected and appointed duly sworn in.

Number of names on checklist --------- 410
Number of ballots cast --------------- 170

DIRECT PRIMARY SEPT. 14, 1976

The Direct Primary, State of N. H. held at the Town Hall in Salisbury, Tuesday, Sept. 14, 1976. All notices duly posted. Moderator Dana Parks, Jr. declared Polls open at 1:00 P.M. Polls officially closed at 6:00 P.M.

Total Number Names on Checklist ------- --- 418
Total Number Ballots Cast ---------- 108

BIENNIAL ELECTION NOV. 02, 1976

The Biennial Election was held in Salisbury, November 02, 1976. All notices duly posted. Moderator Dana Parks, Jr. read warrant and polls declared officially open at 1:00 P.M. Polls remained open until 6:20 P.M. All eligible voters present wishing to vote having done so. Polls declared closed.

Local officials elected as follows:

Moderator, Paul J. Fenton, Jr: Supervisor of Checklist for 6 years, Frederick L. Adams.

Voting by ballot on Constitutional Amendmendments, State of New Hampshire, also held at this election.

Total Number names on checklist ---------- 431
Total Number Ballots cast ---------- 321

Respectfully submitted,

Agnes M. Shaw
Town Clerk

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SALISBURY FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1976

DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD	SEX	NAME OF FATHER AND MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER	BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER AND BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER
Jan. 26	Salisbury	Jane Athena Cravens	F	Ronald L. Cravens Rosemarie A. Martinez	Indiana New York
Apr. 11	Concord	Daniel Michael Murphy, Jr.	M	Daniel M. Murphy Donna L. McKenzie	N. H. N. H.
June 20	Salisbury	Molly Hannah Fredette	F	David E. Fredette Margaret S. Boyles	N. H. Vt.
Sept. 14	Concord	Sonya Marie Grindle	F	Gary L. Grindle Debbie A. McKenzie	Indiana N. H.
Sept. 16	Laconia	Shawn Richard Beckford	M	Richard E. Beckford Kathy S. McDonald	N. H. N. H.
Oct. 02	Concord	Farrah Rose Robbins	F	Raymond M. Robbins, Jr. Betty A. Ruzgis	Mass. Mass.
Oct. 24	Concord	Ruby Ann Eastman	F	Thomas J. Eastman Rebecca M. Bartz	N. H. N. H.
Nov. 17	Laconia	Peter Michael Hattan	M	Richard F. Hattan Mary E. Curley	New York New York
Dec. 05	Concord	Steven D. Heath, Jr.	M	Steven D. Heath Peggy J. Miller	N. H. N. H.

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Agnes M. Shaw, Town Clerk

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SALISBURY FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1976

DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH	NAME AND SURNAME OF THE DECEASED	AGE	PLACE OF BIRTH	SEX	SINGLE MARRIED OR WIDOWED	OCCUPATION	NAME OF FATHER	MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER
01/27	Salisbury	Arthur W. Scott, Sr.	86	N. H.	M	W	Lineman	Marshall W. Scott	Etta E. Bennett
02/28	Concord	Harry L. Braley	69	N. H.	M	M	Truck Driver	Ray Braley	Sadie Kimball
04/06	Concord	Jesse J. Hoyt	84	N. H.	M	W	Paper Maker	Edward F. Hoyt	Jennie Gendreau
06/29	Salisbury	Gerald K. Webster	77	N. H.	M	M	Lumberman	William J. Webster	Elizabeth Benton
07/18	Boscawen	Ralph Bailey	75	N. H.	M	M	Woodsman	Lyman D. Bailey	Maude McKeown
08/03	Salisbury	Eric K. Fay	73	Vt.	M	M	Retired-Self employed	Frank Fay	Rosa Birch
09/16	New London	Gladys Tatarunis	64	N. H.	F	M	Prod. Worker	Scott Jones	Julia Smith
11/25	Laconia	Ethel M. Young	82	N. H.	F	W	Housewife	John W. Little	Hannah Moses

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MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF SALISBURY FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1976

DATE OF MARRIAGE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	NAME & SURNAME OF GROOM AND BRIDE	RESIDENCE OF EACH AT TIME OF MARRIAGE	DATE OF BIRTH OF EACH	PLACE OF BIRTH OF EACH	NAMES OF PARENTS	BIRTHPLACE OF PARENTS	NAME, RESIDENCE OF PERSONS BY WHOM MARRIED
Feb. 20	Andover	Frederick C. Shaw	Salisbury	09/14/20	N. H.	Frank H. Shaw	N. H.	Warren L. Hedrick
						Gertrude Gilpatric	N. H.	Minister
		Edwina C. Dane	Franklin	03/03/35	N. H.	Lionel Paquette	Maine	Andover, N. H.
						Laura Gravison	Canada	
Feb. 27	Concord	Raymond M. Robbins, Jr.	Salisbury	08/04/53	Mass.	Raymond M. Robbins, Sr.	Md.	Christopher V. Pappas
						Lucille J. Robinson	Mass.	J. P.
		Betty A. Ruzgis	Salisbury	05/05/53	Mass.	Walter A. Ruzgis	Mass.	Concord, N. H.
						Virginia L. Nelson	Mass.	
May 03	Salisbury	Walter L. Scott, Jr.	Salisbury	03/03/51	N. H.	Walter L. Scott, Sr.	N. H.	Robert K. Jones, Jr.
						Marion L. Abbott	N. H.	Minister
		Karen R. Starkey	Webster	04/03/58	N. H.	Frank R. Starkey	N. H.	W. Franklin, N. H.
						Betty A. Hardy	N. H.	
June 26	Salisbury	George T. Underhill	Salisbury	12/17/50	N. H.	Robert E. Underhill, Sr.	N. H.	Philip E. Anderson
						Lola J. Hesselden	N. H.	Minister
		Cynthia H. Benedict	Salisbury	05/18/56	N. H.	Russell V. Benedict	R. I.	RFD 1
						Ruth Holt	N. H.	Enfield, N. H.
July 10,	Webster	Timothy J. Welch	Boscawen	08/30/57	N. H.	Charles Welch, Jr.	N. H.	Arlington E. Wry
						Dorothy Huckins	N. H.	Minister
		Annette Denoncourt	Salisbury	01/26/57	Conn.	Philip J. Denoncourt	N. H.	RFD 5
						Nancy R. Raycroft	Mass.	Penacook, N.H.
July 13	Salisbury	Richard E. Beckford	Salisbury	12/21/48	N. H.	William E. Beckford	N. H.	Leonard J. Merski
						Theresa M. Proulx	N. H.	J. P.
		Kathy S. Hickey	Franklin	12/13/55	N. H.	Millard McDonald	N. H.	Salisbury, N. H.
						Eunice Rogers	Mass.	
Aug. 07	Franklin	Kevin D. Barry	Franklin	02/06/52	N. H.	Ernest Barry	N. H.	Richard B. Haines
						Charlotte Colby	N. H.	Minister
		Patricia A. Twombly	Salisbury	08/02/57	N. H.	Raymond E. Twombly	N. H.	Franklin, N. H.
						Raylene Griswold	N. H.	

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Aug. 14	Salisbury	John C. Lovejoy	Salisbury	1/24/53	Mass.	George N. Lovejoy	Mass.	Philip E. Anderson
						Helen T. Condon	Mass.	Minister
		Kathy L. Bartlett	Salisbury	04/14/54	N. H.	Lewis A. Bartlett	N. H.	RFD 1
						Dorothy M. McAlister	N. H.	Enfield, N. H.
Sept. 11	Salisbury	Warren P. Long	San Francisco, California	11/19/45	Ill.	Herman K. Long	Ill.	Peter J. Merkes
						Edna L. Jacob	Ill.	J. P.
		Susan Lake	San Francisco, California	12/01/48	Ill.	Fredric D. Lake	N. J.	Salisbury, N. H.
						Harriet H. Avery	Mass.	
Nov. 24	Salisbury	Richard J. Ballam, Sr.	Salisbury	09/20/25	N. H.	John Ballam	Mass	Peter J. Merkes
						Mary Warren	Maine	J. P.
		Alice M. Eastman	Salisbury	03/22/28	N. H.	John M. Pattsfield	N. S.	Salisbury, N. H.
						Olive A. Brown	N. H.	

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